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In re U.S. Patent Application of

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**PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF
THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Abandonment dated June 16, 2004 and a subsequent telephone conversation with the Examiner.

Applicants hereby respectfully request the withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment in connection with the above-identified application under 37 CFR §1.181 and MPEP 711.03(c), on the grounds that the application was improperly declared by the Office to be abandoned. A response to an Office Action dated May 29, 2003, was timely filed on August 29, 2003, and its receipt by the Office was evidenced by a post card time-stamped at the Mail Room of the Office on August 29, 2003. Copies of (1) the response as filed and (2) the time-stamped postcard are enclosed herewith.

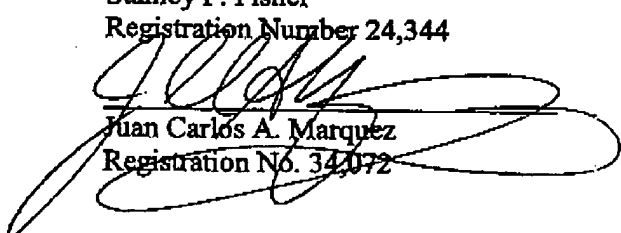
Applicants submit that because the holding of abandonment by the Office did not occur as a result of any act or omission by the Applicants or Applicants' undersigned representative, this application should be reinstated to pending status, and no fee is believed due or required for the consideration of this petition.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees necessary or to refund any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 08-1480 in connection with the submission of this Petition for Withdrawal of the Holding of Abandonment.

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